

REMARKS

This is the first office action. Claims 1-34 are pending with this response. Claims 1-7, 12-13, 19-21, 23, and 25-34 are rejected.

The Applicant thanks the Examiner for allowing claims 14-18, 22, and 24 and for the allowable subject matter of claims 8-11.

Claim Objections

Claims 8-11 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. The Applicant has amended claim 8 to be independent form. Claims 9-11 ultimately depend from claim 8. Thus, the Applicant requests withdrawal for the claim objections.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC §103

Claims 1-2, 4-7, 12, 13, 19-21, 23, 26-34 are rejected by the Office Action under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent 5,329,320 (Yifrach). The Applicant has amended claim 1 to include the feature of “in response to (d), **selectively** storing a first picture frame into a non-volatile memory”. (Emphasis added.) The specification, for example, discloses “After a proper picture frame is identified, in step 212 the picture frame is stored in a memory, such as memory 124.” (Paragraph 25.) Yifrach does not teach or even suggest this feature of claim 1 as amended. Yifrach merely teaches storing all the video frames corresponding to a time duration (e.g., 30 seconds) in storage device 30. (Column 4, line 64 to column 5, line 25.) For example, 900 video frames are stored in a time duration of 30 seconds with NTSC standards. Similarly, the Applicant has amended claims 19 to include the feature of “in response to (d), selectively storing a first picture frame into a non-volatile memory”, claim 23 to include the feature of “in response to (d), selectively storing a first picture frame in a memory” and claim 26 to include the feature of “in response to (d), selectively storing a picture frame derived from the received broadcast signal into a non-volatile memory”. Thus, claims 19, 23, and 26 are patentable for at least the above reasons.

Claims 2, 4-7, 12, 13, 20-21, and 27-34 ultimately depend from claims 1, 19, 23, and 26 and are patentable for at least the above reasons. The Applicant requests reconsideration of claims 1-2, 4-7, 12, 13, 19-21, 23, and 26-34.

Claim 3 is rejected by the Office Action under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Yifrach and further in view of U.S. Patent 6,295,094 (Cuccia). Claim 3 depends from claim 1. However, Cuccia does not make up for the deficiencies of Yifrach. Thus, claim 3 is patentable over Yifrach and Cuccia. The Applicant requests reconsideration of claim 3.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC §102

Claim 25 is rejected by the Office Action under 35 USC 102(b) as being anticipated by Yifrach. The Applicant has amended claim 25 to include the feature of “a means for selectively storing a first picture frame in a memory”. As discussed above, Yifrach does not teach selectively storing a first picture frame into a memory. Thus, claim 25, as amended, is not anticipated by Yifrach. The Applicant requests reconsideration of claim 25.

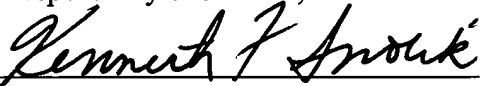
Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 14-18, 22, and 24 are allowed. Claims 8-11 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

CONCLUSION

Favorable reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned should it be deemed necessary to facilitate prosecution of the application.

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